

Latest Planning Policy News - Older News Bulletins: 2013

DECEMBER 2013

Local plan timetable update

The latest Local Plan of Action Update and Progress Report is now available to download from our [Local Development Plan Timetable web-page](#).

Sustainability appraisal scoping report

A draft sustainability appraisal scoping report is now available to download on the right hand side of this page.

Preparation of the new Local Plan includes assessment and comparison of reasonable alternative planning strategies, planning policies and potential development sites. Sustainability Appraisal is undertaken to consider the likely significant effects of these alternatives on environmental, economic and social considerations that are relevant to Craven.

Scoping forms the first stage of the Sustainability Appraisal and establishes the background position relevant to the Craven Local Plan area. The Draft Scoping Report has been produced in order to shape a sustainability appraisal testing framework that reflects the distinct local sustainability context. The Council is seeking views on the content of the draft scoping report that includes an analysis of current social, economic and environmental conditions in the district (including forecast future trends) and proposed sustainability testing objectives. Consultation is being held from Friday 20th December 2013 until Friday 7th February 2014. Comments may be sent to the Planning Policy Team by email, at localplan@cravencd.gov.uk, or by post. Please be aware that all comments received will be publicly available and may be included on our website.

Bradley makes progress on neighbourhood planning

Craven District Council's Spatial Planning Sub-Committee has just designated the Neighbourhood Area proposed by Bradley Parish Council - visit our [Neighbourhood Planning web page](#) to find out more.

Gargrave Parish Council applies for a Neighbourhood Area

Craven District Council has received an application from Gargrave Parish Council to designate the parish as a "Neighbourhood Area", which is the first formal step towards the creation of a Neighbourhood Plan. The application can be viewed on our [Neighbourhood Planning web page](#) and people who live, work or carry out business in the parish can submit comments up to Monday 20th January 2014.

NOVEMBER 2013

Updated SHLAA webpage

The SHLAA sites which have passed the Part 1 checks are now available to view here: The list and maps will now be updated on an annual or bi/annual basis.

Viability Study - Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) and Affordable Housing

Craven District Council has commissioned Peter Brett Associates to provide specialist viability advice. The aim of their study is to provide area-wide development viability assessments to inform the Council's approach to affordable housing policy as part of its new Local Plan. This will enable us to demonstrate what levels of affordable housing provision are viable, and the scope in viability terms to introduce a Community Infrastructure Levy, taking all other policy requirements into account. Information on the opportunity for Local Planning Authorities to introduce a community infrastructure levy is available at: <https://www.gov.uk/government/policies/giving-communities-more-power-in-planning-local-development>

The draft Peter Brett viability report is available to be viewed from the Downloads section on the right hand side of this page and the consultation period runs from Monday 4th November 2013 to Monday 16th December 2013. Comments may be sent to the Planning Policy Team by email, at ldf@cravencd.gov.uk, or by post. Please be aware that all comments received will be publicly available and may be included on our website.

OCTOBER 2013

Bradley Parish Council starts the ball rolling on Craven's first Neighbourhood Plan

Craven District Council has received an application from Bradleys Both Parish Council to designate the parish as a "Neighbourhood Area", which is the first formal step towards the creation of a Neighbourhood Plan. The application can be viewed on our [Neighbourhood Planning web page](#) and people who live, work or carry out business in the parish can submit comments up to Monday 18th November 2013.

SEPTEMBER 2013

The latest edition of Planning Focus is now available to download. It includes a short report on recent Community Engagement Events and information on what happens next, plus other news.

AUGUST 2013

Part 2 Checklists Sent to Landowners and Agents

The initial part 2 site checks have now been completed by the planning policy team and sent to landowners and agents to allow them to provide evidence and make representations regarding their sites. The checks are a work in progress and in many cases we still need to consult various statutory bodies, such as highways and utility providers.

If you are a landowner or agent with sites in the SHLAA (Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment) and have not yet received your part 2 checklist please get in touch by emailing ldf@cravenc.gov.uk

You can read more about the checklists and the SHLAA on the webpage.

Community Engagement Closed

The informal community engagement on the local plan is now closed. Thank you to everyone who has participated in the events and sent in feedback forms and letters. We now have the task of analysing the feedback we have received and where appropriate incorporating the views and opinions expressed into our plan.

If you have not had chance to hand in a feedback form yet don't worry. There is still chance to have your say in the formal community engagement taking place in the new year. Keep an eye on the latest planning policy news webpage or email ldf@cravenc.gov.uk to be kept up to date.

Community Engagement Events

Thank you to the 1000 people who came to our open-door events held throughout the plan area in June and July! Over a five-week period we ran 20 events during the day and evening, in 16 different towns and villages from Burton-in-Lonsdale to Sutton-in-Craven. We hope to include a special report on the events in the next edition of our Planning Focus newsletter, which is due out in September. The discussions we've had with people and the feedback we've received have been excellent - a lot has been positive and some has been challenging, but all has been useful and will help us make further progress. Don't forget, there's still time to participate by reading information from the events and returning a Sub-Area Feedback Form and a Settlement Feedback Form by the end of August. Everything is available on our [Craven Local Development Plan](#) web-page.

JUNE 2013

Community Engagement Events begin this month

A programme of open-door events on the emerging local plan will run from 24th June to 26th July, during the day and evening, in 16 towns and villages up and down the district. Drop-in to get information, ask questions, discuss ideas (yours and ours) and give feedback. For full details see the newsletter and bulletin, below.

MARCH 2013

A Short Talk About Housing Land is now available to view on the (SHLAA) web-page.

This is a copy of a presentation about the SHLAA, which we gave at the recent Cononley Annual Parish Meeting, following a request from the parish council. It can be found amongst the "Downloads" at the bottom of the SHLAA web-page.

JANUARY 2013

The updated Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment (SHLAA) is now available to view.

The SHLAA is a list of sites which have been suggested to the Council by a wide range of organisations and individuals as having potential for housing development. The Council has gathered information on each of these sites to assess how likely it is that a site would be available and suitable for housing development and whether it would have a reasonable prospect of being developed within 5 years or if it is likely to take longer to develop. For more information and to see the suggested sites please go to the webpage. It is important to note that this study will not allocate sites for development.